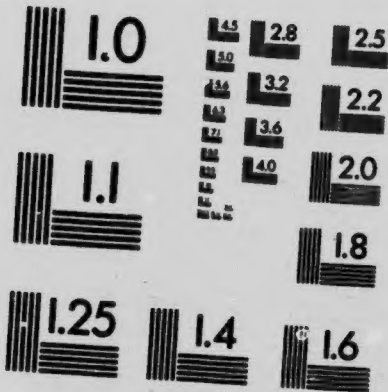


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JAMES B. BROWN, 225 GARF STREET



Winnipeg, Canada,

July 22, 1909.

Dear Sir,—

We beg to submit for your consideration the Memoria which was presented to Sir Wilfred Laurier and the members of the Dominion Government in connection with the proposed Exposition to be held in Winnipeg in 1912. Wherever the matter has been discussed the strongest endorsement has been given to the proposition. The Organization Committee considered that it was necessary in the first place to find out what would be the attitude of the people of Western Canada as a whole, and some seventy-five business men of Winnipeg visited, by special train, all the leading cities and towns between Winnipeg and Victoria and were everywhere received with extreme cordiality and in each of these places a resolution was unanimously carried approving of the holding of the Exposition and pledging active support. Copies of some of these resolutions will be found in appendix B.

Members of the Committee have also waited upon the Governments of the four Western Provinces and in each case have received such assurances as convinced them that satisfactory support will be given from these Provinces. Members of the Committee also visited the Commercial bodies in Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and St. Johns and received as enthusiastic endorsement there, as had been met with in the West. The matter was then taken up with the Dominion Government at an audience granted to a deputation. At the request of the Premier that the various points submitted should be put in writing, the enclosed memorial was prepared. This memorial was formally presented to Sir Wilfrid Laurier by members of the Committee and the matter again fully discussed. The

Premier expressed his great personal interest but stated that the Government could not give an answer of any kind until the Cabinet had met after the return of Mr. Fielding from England.

The attitude of all the Ministers seen is personally so favorable that the Committee believes the Dominion Government will appreciate the opportunity for placing Canadian Industries and Products before the world in the effective manner that can be done at a great Exposition and will decide to recommend to Parliament the necessary financial assistance.

Sir Wilfrid Laurier thought that pending the final consideration by the Dominion Government the various Provincial Governments and the large railway and other Corporations should more definitely commit themselves as to the part they will be prepared to take. The Committee therefore, is preparing to take the matter up with all the Provincial Governments and with the Corporations referred to and have every confidence of a satisfactory response.

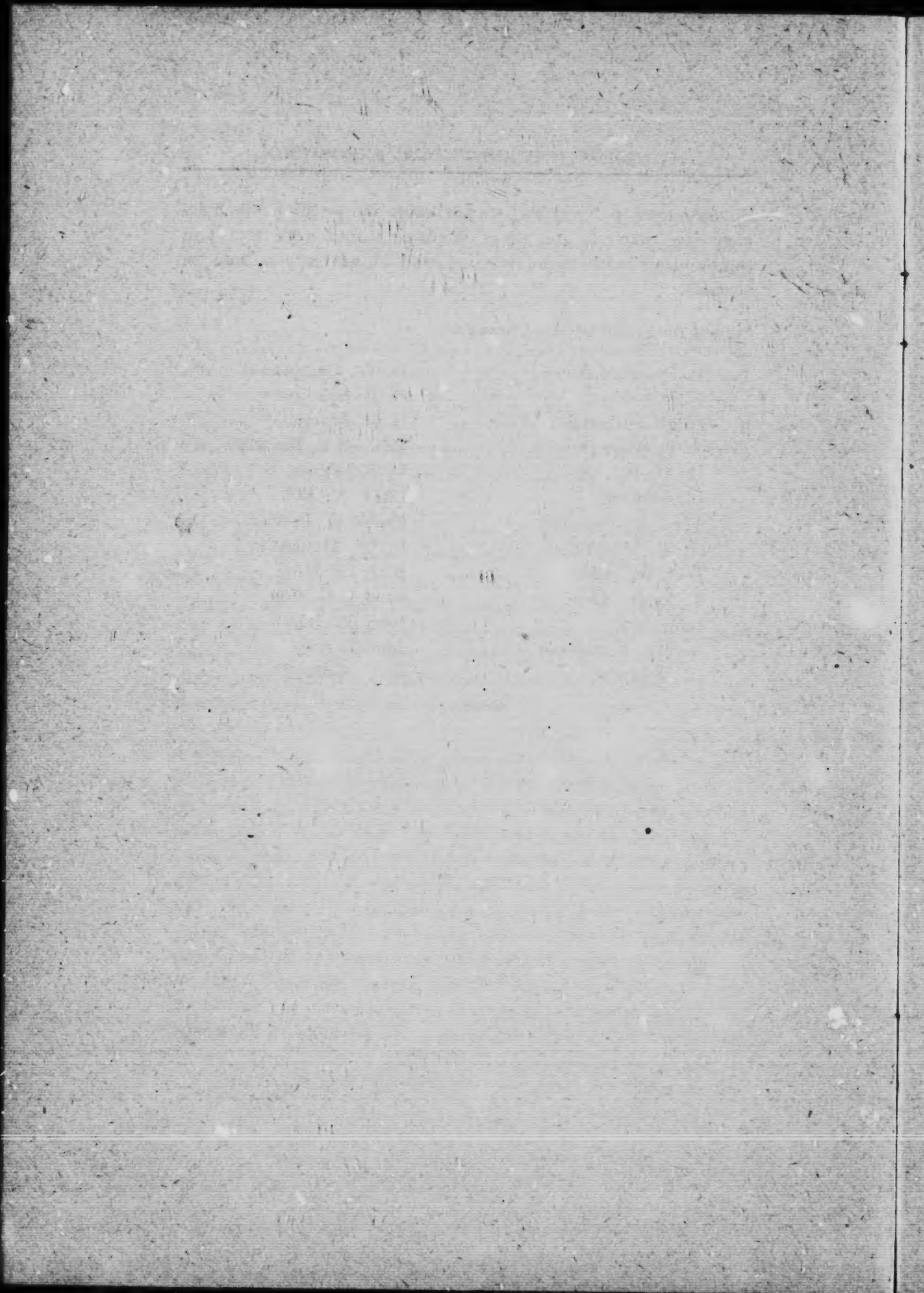
Matters like this are determined by the desire of the people as a whole, and for this reason the Committee is anxious to place before the manufacturers, business men and leading producers of the Country, as those who would be most directly affected, the facts and arguments upon which the case for the Exposition is based and would ask that if you are convinced that the Exposition would be a good thing for Canada you would let your views be known to one member, at least, of the Dominion Government, to your local representatives in Parliament and the Senate and also to some member of your Provincial Government and to your local representatives in the Provincial Legislature and also to the directors of any of the leading corporations with whom you are acquainted. It is of the utmost practical importance that the members of the

Governments, particularly, should know the position taken by men like yourself, and the Committee would urge that you communicate with them as suggested at as early a date as possible.

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

W. Sanford Evans
F. W. Adams
Hugh Sutherland
R. D. Waugh
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**To the Right Honorable Sir Wilfred Laurier, G.C.M.G.,
P.C., etc., etc., President of the King's Privy Council
and Prime Minister, Ottawa, Canada.**

Sir,—

Complying with your request we beg to submit the following memoranda concerning Canada's International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial proposed to be held in the City of Winnipeg, in the year 1912, for the purpose of demonstrating to our own people and to the world at large the excellence of the present products of Canada and the immense resources that await development in this country.

Historical

The occasion selected for historical celebration in the proposed date of the Exposition is the hundredth anniversary of the arrival of the Selkirk settlers on the banks of the Red River. Lord Selkirk was the first of the line of statesmen to recognize the benefits which an immigration policy might confer upon the vast territory then known as Rupert's Land, and the Selkirk settlers were the first immigrants to the agricultural lands of Western Canada. The founder of the colony was the earliest man of note to realize the possibilities of this country, which he declared to be "a land flowing with milk and honey, the glory of all lands," and the preservation of this territory to Canada is largely due to Lord Selkirk's foresight, and to the courage, endurance, perseverance and patriotism of the men and women who under his auspices settled in the vicinity of the present city of Winnipeg and first developed and demonstrated the magnificent agricultural resources of this part of the Dominion.

In selecting a date for the holding of such an Exposition of Canadian progress as is proposed, it is well to honor the memory of the efforts of the early pioneers, who laid the foundations of Canada in the western half of the Dominion.

Two other anniversaries commemorated in this year will be the voyage of discovery by Button into the Hudson Bay, second in point of authenticity only to the great explorer Hudson himself, this voyage occurring in 1612, while a hundred years later, in February, 1712, the Hudson's Bay Company, by their memorandum to Queen Anne, asserted British claims to the territory afterwards ceded in the Treaty of Utrecht, and thus established beyond all subsequent doubt the sovereignty of the vast country which now forms one of the fairest parts of the Dominion.

In the year 1912 there will also occur the centenary of that occasion upon which Upper and Lower Canada, the twin elder brothers of this Union, were called upon to defend themselves against foreign invasion, and on fields such as "Queenston's Heights," "Lundy's Lane" and "Chateauguay" to vindicate their right to work out their own destiny.

It is well that men who thus laid and preserved the foundations of our national life should be held in remembrance and honored.

Expositions

The value of Expositions as means of illustrating, further promoting, and advertising national development is today fully recognized. The principle was introduced by H.R.H. the Prince Consort in 1851, and the example set was speedily followed by France, with the result that down to the present date all the leading nations have adopted this method of national advertisement with considerable success.

Expositions have been adopted after mature experience by statesmen and business men, as the best method of encouraging agriculture, arts and industries, and affording true and valuable means of ascertaining the relative position of any nation as compared with its foreign competitors. The United States in 1876 set a precedent for Canada in the Philadelphia Exposition of that year, and has continued the policy down to the present day, having made a grant of \$5,000,000 to the St. Louis Exposition, and taken financial charge of the Alaskan portion of the Seattle-Yukon Exposition of the present year.

The committee of fifty-two representative business and professional men of Winnipeg, which is taking the initiative in the present movement, has carefully studied the question in the light of all the facts it could obtain and has sent members of its own body to investigate, upon the spot, the results that might fairly be attributed to the recent Expositions in St. Louis and Portland, a summary of the reports on which investigations will be found in appendix "A."

National Effects

After passing successfully, because of the character and energy of our people and the wisdom of our statesmen, through the critical stages of pioneer life, the development of self-government and the achievement of constitutional unity, Canada is now entered upon the important stage of agricultural, commercial and industrial development. She has experimented with all her rich and varied resources and has acquired proficiency in all arts. The time has come when to her own advantage she can take a comprehensive review of her position and can with profit invite a comparison with the products of the world.

Nothing could have a better educative and stimulating effect upon Canadians than the realization, which a thoroughly

representative Exposition would bring, of what this country has done and is capable of doing. It requires only knowledge to add new strength to the ambition and energy of every Canadian.

Such an Exposition will supply a concrete object upon which all Canadians could unite, and what better object could there be than a worthy display of the work and wealth of Canada?

At Winnipeg, the centre of the Dominion, the East will meet the West; and your petitioners can assure you, from their experience in laying this proposal before the citizens of all the principal centres of population in the Dominion, that the country will, with enthusiasm, embrace the opportunity for national co-operation.

Other Results

You, Sir, have with inspiring patriotism declared that the Twentieth Century is to be Canada's Century. If Canada is to fulfil this prophecy and dominate the interests of this age, she must assert her worth and establish it. Would it not be well in these opening years of our century to have a great national stock-taking and issue a friendly challenge to the world to meet us in all those lines on which our future greatness will depend?

Canada must become strong in population and capital as soon as may be consistent with safety. Today we have unequalled opportunities for money and workers, and we stand in great need of both. Through the agency of your Government and through the agencies of the Provincial Governments and of the publicity departments of our cities and towns, word has been sent out of what Canada has to offer. To complete the effectiveness of these efforts, it is only necessary that people should come to see for themselves.

A definite invitation for a definite date should be issued, and it is the definite invitation that is accepted.

Separate efforts have produced the results already seen in immigration, influx of capital, and assistance in development of natural resources. The combination of Governments, Provinces, Cities and Towns, in a recognized form of national advertisement, by an invitation to all interested to come and see for themselves what Canada can do for them, must produce results more than commensurate with any outlay involved.

Lack of the fullest knowledge of the security Canada offers, the stability of our progress, and the wealth of our undeveloped resources, restricts the flow of capital to Canada, so necessary to the full development and continued prosperity of the country. Such an Exposition would afford most valuable evidences to the world of Canadian solvency, and of the returns which Canada offers for all legitimate investment.

As an Advertisement

For national exploiting and advertisement, no agency is comparable with a great Exposition. It interests not only the individual, but the Governments of the most progressive countries of the world.

Every man entertains the intention to travel at some time, somewhere, and the invitation to an Exposition is discussed at every fireside.

Agriculturists, manufacturers, commercial men, artists, and workers of all countries are roused by the opportunities for competition, and their attention is directed to the country from which the invitation emanates.

For the three years of preparation exceptional facilities of directing the news services of the world to Canadian matters are afforded, while railway and steamship companies all over the world become agents of publicity.

The hundreds of thousands who will visit Canada to see the the Exposition will be carried to all parts of the Dominion, and each one becomes an active immigration agent. The position of Winnipeg is so central that no matter from what point of the compass travellers come they are bound to see a great deal of the Dominion.

Capitalists and manufacturers who would not trouble to come to Canada to investigate some particular enterprise, will respond to the general opportunity afforded them by such an Exposition.

By 1912 the new Transcontinental line, which has been one of the great achievements of your Government, will be completed, and many thousands of miles of new lines, now projected, will be constructed by other railways. On all these new lines there will be recognized to be the same opportunities for industries and cities that can be seen illustrated on older lines, and the imaginations of all, Canadians and visitors, will be stirred by the perception that there are great stretches of country, such as our vast Northland, which still await enterprise and capital for their exploitation.

Those who visit an Exposition are the class most to be desired as investors, settlers and agents, because they have the intellectual curiosity to investigate and the means with which to travel.

Canada's opportunities have only to be known in order that there should set toward this country a full stream of capital and settlers of the right class, and an Exposition will, better than any means that can be employed, attract the attention and excite the interest of those who can best help on our development.

Finances

Being truly national in scope and purpose, it is proper and necessary that this Exposition should in greater part be financed by the Dominion Parliament. This view is taken by the unanimous public expressions at meetings in thirty-six of the leading cities and towns of the western provinces, and has been endorsed by the Boards of Trade of Toronto, Montreal, Halifax and St. John, and the Chambre de Commerce, Montreal.

As the resolutions set forth in Appendix B will conclusively show, public opinion from ocean to ocean has declared itself in only slightly varying language, to the effect that there should be granted by the Dominion Government such generous assistance as may insure that the project will be carried out on a scale worthy of the Dominion.

Without a dissenting voice, and in meetings remarkable for their enthusiasm as well as their unanimity, the people of Canada have endorsed the proposal, and have sent instructions to their Representatives in Parliament that will insure to the Government the support of Parliament in any financial assistance it may recommend.

It is expected that the Provincial Governments will erect Provincial buildings and arrange for an adequate representation of Provincial products and resources. Foreign Governments will also provide buildings and exhibits. These will all be direct contributions to the value and attractiveness of the Exposition.

But there are also necessary buildings of a general character for the comprehensive display of the fine arts and manufactures, and for the products of agriculture, the mines, forests, and fisheries of the Dominion, while suitable prizes must be awarded for exhibits. These special buildings, and the expenses of preparation and beautifying the grounds, advertising and management, must all be provided from a general fund.

CANADA'S INTERNATIONAL EXPOSITION

The Winnipeg committee is prepared to undertake to raise the sum of \$500,000.00, which they believe is all that could be expected of them, and the balance of the general fund must come from the Dominion Government.

The minimum financial requirements of an exposition that would be worthy of Canada, as far as a general fund is concerned, are, in the opinion of your petitioners, as follows:

Division of Affairs	Dept. of Buildings	}	\$2,000,000
	" of Transportation		
	" of Light and Power		
	" of Grounds, Sewerage and Water		
	" of Police and Secret Service		
	" of Health and Sanitation		
Division of Exploitation	" of Fire Protection	}	\$500,000
	Bureau of Advertising		
	" of Printing		
	" of Conventions		
	" of Special Events		
	" of Music		
Division of Works	" of Amusements	}	\$1,500,000
	" of Services		
	Dept. of Exhibits		
	" of Mines and Metallurgy		
	" of Agriculture and Live Stock		
	" of Education		
	" of Arts	}	
	" of Horticulture		
	" of Forestry		
	" of Fisheries and Game		

The money to be provided as follows:

Dominion Grant	\$2,500,000
Private Subscriptions	500,000
Gate Receipts	1,000,000
Total	\$4,000,000

We therefore pray your Government for a recommendation to Parliament of a total grant spread over three years of \$2,500,000. We submit that the sum is small in proportion to the results that are certain to be accomplished, and would not impose a serious burden upon the finances of any one year.

Apart from the stimulation to the pride and ambition of all Canadians, the Exposition will be an advertisement of Canada that will catch and hold the attention of

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EXPLANATORY

With regard to estimate—the Exposition Committee have asked the Dominion Government to guarantee \$2,500,000.00 and in addition it is the intention to raise \$500,000.00 in the City of Winnipeg, which, together with the estimated revenue of \$1,000,000.00 from gate receipts and sale of concessions brings the total cash revenue up to \$4,000,000.00. In addition the nine provinces of the Dominion, it is expected, will in the aggregate, participate to the extent of \$1,500,000.00 in the erection of their own buildings and providing suitable exhibits which will worthily represent the resources and products of each province.

The Exposition Commission when, after definite organization takes place do not expect to handle provincial appropriations for their buildings and exhibits, as it is expected that each province will appoint a commissioner responsible to the provincial treasury who will control and manage whatever appropriation is made.

We therefore pray your Government for a recommendation to Parliament of a total grant spread over three years of \$2,500,000. We submit that the sum is small in proportion to the results that are certain to be accomplished, and would not impose a serious burden upon the finances of any one year.

Apart from the stimulation to the pride and ambition of all Canadians, the Exposition will be an advertisement of Canada that will catch and hold the attention of every reader of the press in the Mother Country, in the United States, and in all other leading countries of the world—an advertisement that will not cost the Dominion Government a penny a head for everyone thus reached and held.

If out of the scores of millions who would thus become more practically interested in Canada, only 500,000 from other countries personally visit the Exposition, and if each visitor spends on transportation and living expenses while in Canada only \$50, there will be an immediate addition to the floating capital of this country of \$25,000,000.00. If only five other countries undertake national exhibits, their average expenditure will not be less than \$250,000.00 each, or \$1,250,000.00. If the direct result of the publicity and of the personal inspection of Canada by so many thousands of people is the securing of only 100,000 new settlers, these will be of the class with some capital, and at only \$1,000 apiece, the country will gain \$100,000,000.00. And we believe that another hundred million dollars is a small estimate of the amount of new capital that will be sent to this country for investment by those who have been convinced by this Exposition of the opportunities in Canada.

We respectfully ask that if after careful consideration of the matter it is decided to recommend the appropriations to Parliament here suggested, you will cause the same to be embodied in an Order-in-Council, or in such other form as will enable the Committee to go ahead with the vast amount of work involved, as the greatest concentration and energy is required

from the present time up to June 1912, if the Exposition is to be a success worthy of Canada ;and it is essential to be able to inform Foreign and Provincial Governments that the Exposition has the financial support and backing of the Dominion Government.

We have the honor to be, sir,

Your obedient servants,

Signed on behalf of the Committee,

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Appendix A.

Extracts from Reports of Portland and St. Louis Committees

The evidence gained by the special committees appointed to interview the business men of the City of Portland, Ore., and the City of St. Louis, Mo., was all to the effect that the Portland and St. Louis Expositions were of a very great benefit in inducing immigration and in the development of the agricultural and industrial resources of the state in which they were held.

In an interview with Mr. Mills, the president of the First National Bank of Portland, he stated that without question the Portland Exposition brought about a very large development throughout the whole state; the lands and resources of the valley were advertised extensively by their Exposition with the result that new settlers arrived and were still arriving in large numbers. Their efforts had been largely towards the development of the dairy and fruit industry. The annual increase in dairy products had been enormous, having increased from \$5,000,000 in 1904 to \$17,000,000 in 1908, and the valleys throughout the state had since been populated by a thriving and industrious class of settlers engaged in fruit farming.

William Ladd, of Messrs. Ladd & Kilton, private bankers, was of the same opinion and pointed out that the holding of the Exposition at Portland had the effect of bringing together the different interests throughout the country which had resulted in greater and closer business relationship.

Mr. Wilcox, president of the Portland Milling Co., was very optimistic as to the results obtained by the Exposition in the settlement of the State. The Portland Exposition, he stated, had benefited and greatly helped the adjoining state of Washington, and the State of Oregon expect to derive direct benefit from the exposition now being held at Seattle. He was firm in his belief that in no other way could a country advertise its resources so well and so effectively as by the holding of an exposition.

Mr. Malpas, manager of the Canadian Bank of Commerce, stated that without doubt the general and healthy development throughout Oregon could be largely credited to the holding of their exposition in 1905.

Mr. J. Smith, manager of Messrs. Marshall-Wells Hardware Co., was sure that the exposition benefited the state of Oregon as a whole. Their business throughout the agricultural sections of the state had developed to a great extent.

A. D. Charlton, of the Northern Pacific Railway Co., stated that the influx of new comers during and since the exposition project along their lines, had increased the price of land many times over. The business of their railroad had had a wonderful increase, and he was sure that the holding of the Exposition had done a great deal toward starting this development.

A. Wright, cashier of the First National Bank, and Mr. Thompson, of Messrs. Hart-Thompson Co., both spoke of the results of the Exposition in the same tone as had Mr. Mills of the First National Bank.

Mr. Scott, of the Harriman line, pointed out many cases of increase of land values and of the development and of the opening up of the resources along their lines, which he was sure was due, to a great extent, to the exposition campaign at that time.

The President of the Oregon Mortgage Co., a Scottish financial concern operating in Portland, and loaning a great deal of money in the State of Oregon, stated emphatically that the exposition had accomplished much in the way of immigration and in the increase of land values throughout the state.

Mr. Flishner, president of one of the largest dry-goods houses in Portland, was very optimistic in so far as the benefits in trade which had resulted from the holding of their exposition.

The managing editors of the three Portland papers had all given much thought to their exposition and stated that it had accomplished fully that which it was intended to do in the matter of immigration, and the advertising and developing throughout the city.

The committee interviewed several others in the various lines of business and the one opinion held by all was, that the holding of their exposition had been instrumental in developing the resources of their respective State to an extent greater than was expected by the most enthusiastic supporters of the exposition project.

In St. Louis, Mo., the leading bankers, railway officials, managers of loan companies and others, who were in a position to gauge the situation told of growing results and furnished official statistics showing the increase in immigration, industries, wealth, and general development of the state of Missouri.

Those interviewed in St. Louis upon the subject were optimistic with regard to Canada's International Exposition, proposed in 1912, pointing out, that with the exception of the Portland Fair, the majority of expositions throughout the world had been held in sections where the resources of the country had already been developed, and they were sure that it would be a very different and more important proposition to Canada on account of the great natural resources that awaited development and the immense stretches of fine farming lands that were open for settlement.

Appendix B.

Montreal Board of Trade Resolution

Resolution adopted by the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade, at a meeting held 5th May, 1909.

Resolved:—That the Council of the Montreal Board of Trade, having considered the proposal that a Canadian Industrial Exhibition shall be held in the City of Winnipeg in the year 1912, is of the opinion that such an Exhibition would prove of great advantage to the Dominion in general by making more widely known its wonderful agricultural, forest and mining resources, and, thereby, drawing the attention of the world to Canada as a field for immigration and investment.

That the Council, therefore, endorses the proposal to hold such an exhibition and hereby prays the Dominion Government to generously aid the project in such manner as may be deemed best to enable the promoters thereof to carry it through with credit and advantage to our country.

Certified a true copy,

GEO. HADRILL,

Secretary.

La Chambre de Commerce du District de Montreal

Extract du proces-verbal de l'assemblee generale de la Chambre de Commerce, tenue le mercredi, 5 Mai, 1909.

EXPOSITION NATIONALE A WINNIPEG EN 1912.

Le president et le secretaire de la Chambre de Commerce de Winnipeg, ayant soumis un projet d'exposition nationale a etre tenue en 1912 dans la capitale de l'Ouest, cette Chambre

est heureuse de feliciter ces derniers de leurs demarches, attendu qu'elle a toujours ete d'opinion que des expositions, soit nationales, soit internationals, sont d'un grand benefice pour notre pays et elle verrait avec plaisir le Gouvernement preter son appui genereux a la realisation de ce project.

Pour copie conforme,

Le Secretaire,

F. BOURBONNIER.

Toronto Board of Trade Resolution

Resolved:—That the Council of the Board of Trade of the City of Toronto heartily endorse the proposed Selkirk Centennial to be held in the City of Winnipeg in the year 1912, and do earnestly request that the Dominion Government give the project its generous support by granting such assistance as may ensure that the project will be carried out on a scale worthy of the Dominion.

—Carried.

Adopted at Council Meeting, held May 3rd, 1909.

Winnipeg Board of Trade Resolution

Resolved:—That this Annual General Meeting of the Winnipeg Board of Trade heartily endorse the proposed Canada's International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, to be held in the City of Winnipeg in the year 1912, and it strongly recommends to the Dominion Government that they give such generous and adequate support as will guarantee that the project will be laid down and carried out on a scale worthy of its national importance and as a credit to the Dominion of Canada.

Adopted May 11th, 1909.

Vancouver Resolution

Vancouver, B.C., May 10th, 1909.

Moved by Fred T. Walker, seconded by H. T. Lockyer,—

Be it resolved:—That the citizens of Vancouver unanimously endorse the idea, viz., of holding in Winnipeg in 1912, Canada's International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial.

1. That we believe a Canadian Exposition will afford an unparalleled opportunity of exhibiting to the world the varied resources of Canada;

2. That we believe that it is the duty of Canadian citizens to celebrate the arrival of Lord Selkirk with his loyal band of settlers, on the banks of the Red River in 1812.

Therefore, we hereby authorize His Worship, the Mayor, to forward a copy of this resolution to our representative in the House of Commons, the Senate and the local Legislature, requesting them to give their support and influence in having an appropriation made by the Parliament of Canada necessary to finance this proposed Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial.

(Signed) C. S. DOUGLAS,

Mayor and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Halifax Resolution

Whereas at a special meeting of the Council of the Board of Trade of the City of Halifax held on the 7th day of May, Mr. H. M. Belcher, president of the Winnipeg Board of Trade, addressed this Council in connection with the proposed Selkirk Centennial Exposition to be held in the City of Winnipeg in 1912.

And Whereas, after hearing the said address and after discussing the matter with Mr. Belcher this council has reached the conclusion that such an exposition as that proposed would be in the interests of Canada.

Therefore, Resolved that the Council of the Halifax Board of Trade place itself on record as being heartily in sympathy with the aims and objects of the proposed Exposition, and is of the opinion that the Federal Government should give the undertaking that generous support which will ensure the carrying out of the project in a manner creditable to the Dominion.

—Carried.

Victoria Resolution

Victoria, B.C., May 11th, 1909.

Moved by Lt.-Col. The Hon. E. G. Prior, seconded by Lt.-Col. F. B. Gregory,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Victoria enthusiastically endorse the proposal of holding in Winnipeg, in 1912, Canada's International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial;

1. That we believe a Canadian Exposition will afford a splendid opportunity of assembling and displaying the products of Canada and thereby attract settlers and capital from all parts of the world, to aid our development.

2. That we believe it is our duty as Canadian citizens to celebrate the arrival of Lord Selkirk (Western Canada's first immigration agent) with the first settlers of Western Canada, who landed on the banks of the Red River in 1812.

Therefore, we hereby authorize His Worship, the Mayor, to forward a copy of this resolution to our representative in the House of Commons, the Senate and the local Legislature, with a request that they give their support and influence in having an appropriation made by the Parliament of Canada, necessary to finance the enterprise.

(Signed) LEWIS HALL,

Mayor and Chairman of Citizen's Meeting.

St. John Resolution

Resolved that the Council of the Board of Trade of the City of St. John, N.B., heartily endorse the proposed Selkirk Centennial to be held in the City of Winnipeg in the year 1912, and do earnestly request that the Dominion Government give the project its generous support by granting such assistance as may insure that the project will be carried out on a scale worthy of the Dominion.

—Carried.

Adopted at Council meeting held May 3rd, 1909.

Brandon Resolution

Brandon, April 29th, 1909.

On motion of F. Nanton, seconded by J. Comese,—

It was resolved as follows:

1. That the citizens of Brandon, Manitoba, who are assembled at this meeting desire to place upon record their enthusiastic endorsement of the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition at the City of Winnipeg in 1912, to

mark the anniversary of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's settlers on the banks of the Red River in 1812, and we hereby endorse and approve of the general principles of the scheme as outlined to this meeting by the delegates from Winnipeg who have addressed us on the subject.

2. That the holding of such an exposition will present an opportunity never before offered to people from all countries and climes of visiting, seeing, and investigating at first hand the rich and varied resources of "Canada's Great West" in the success of whose future the whole of Canada is bound up. This undeniable fact gives a pronounced national character to this proposed exposition and stamps it as an enterprise in which every Canadian is equally interested, no matter in what part of Canada he lives.

Therefore, the opinion of this meeting is that the Parliament of Canada should provide the greater part of the ways and means necessary to finance the undertaking. And with that object in view the Dominion Government should be approached with a respectful request to appropriate and grant such measures of assistance as may be thought necessary for financing the proposition.

3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Honorable Clifford Sifton at Ottawa, by wire and letter, and with a request that he will join the other members of Parliament in every way assisting the delegates, who are now in Ottawa, laying the matter of Canada's International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912, before the members of the Government.

H. ADOLPH,

Mayor.

High River Resolution

High River, May 4th, 1909.

On motion of Louis M. Roberts, seconded by Alex. A. Ballachy,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of High River believing that a Canadian International Exposition and celebration of the Selkirk Centennial in Winnipeg, 1912, will do more to bring before the people of the world the enormous possibilities of our district and the whole of Canada, hereby instruct His Worship the Mayor, to forward a copy of this resolution to our representatives in the Dominion Parliament and Senate at Ottawa, and the local Legislature, with a request that they give their enthusiastic support and influence in securing the necessary assistance from the Dominion Government to carry out this enterprise.

NORMAN YOUNG,

Mayor.

Calgary Resolution

Calgary, Alta.; May 4th, 1909.

On motion of A. E. Cross, president Board of Trade; seconded by Wm. Toole,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Calgary at this meeting enthusiastically endorse and support the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial at Winnipeg in 1912, to celebrate the centenary of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's settlers on the banks of the Red River in 1812.

That such an exhibition will, in our opinion, give an unequalled opportunity to homeseekers and men of capital from every part of the world to come and investigate, and see displayed the products of Canada's resources and possibilities.

Therefore, in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that the Parliament of Canada should provide such financial assistance as is necessary to fittingly carry out the project, and that a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our representatives in the House of Commons, the Senate at Ottawa, and the local Legislature requesting that they give their enthusiastic support and influence in securing the assistance asked for.

(Signed) R. R. JAMIESON,
Mayor and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Carberry Resolution

Carberry, Man., 1909.

On motion of G. F. Barrett, seconded by John Elmhurst,—

It was resolved:—

1. That the citizens of Carberry assembled at this meeting enthusiastically endorse the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial at Winnipeg in 1912 to celebrate the centenary of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's settlers on the banks of the Red River.

2. That such an exposition will, in our opinion, present an unequalled opportunity to people from every locality to see and investigate the wonderful resources of the Great West.

3. Therefore, in the opinion of this meeting it is desirable that the Parliament of Canada should provide such financial assistance as is necessary to successfully carry out the project.

4. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Mr. Arthur Meighen, M.P., Ottawa, by wire and letter, requesting that he will assist the delegates now in Ottawa in presenting to the Dominion Government, Canada's International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912.

(Signed) BEN STEWART,
Mayor.

Lethbridge Resolution

Lethbridge, May 3rd, 1909.

On motion of C. G. K. Nourse, seconded by C. R. Carlson,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Lethbridge unanimously and enthusiastically endorse the scheme of holding the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial in Winnipeg in 1912.

That we instruct His Worship the Mayor to immediately arrange that communications be sent to our representatives in Parliament, Mr. C. A. Magrath, and the Hon. Senator De Veber, soliciting their influence in securing the endorsement of the Dominion Government and the appropriation of funds necessary to carry the proposition to a successful issue.

WM. HENDERSON,

Mayor.

Claresholm Resolution

Claresholm, Alta., May 4th, 1909.

On motion of Cure Braren, seconded by T. C. Milnes,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Claresholm unanimously and enthusiastically endorse the holding of a great Canadian International Exposition and Celebration of Selkirk Centennial in Winnipeg in 1912.

That we believe it will do more to bring before the world the unlimited possibilities and opportunities of our district and the whole of Canada.

That in our opinion an exhibition combined with the historical celebration of the arrival of the first settlers in Western Canada will be one of the best methods in presenting to men of capital and homeseekers our opportunities.

That we hereby instruct His Worship, the Mayor of Claresholm, to forward a copy of this resolution to our representatives in the Dominion Parliament and the Senate at Ottawa and also the local Legislature requesting that they give their support and influence to securing the necessary assistance from the Dominion Parliament to finance the undertaking.

W. A. CORNWALL,

Chairman.

Duck Lake Resolution

Duck Lake, Sask., May 8th, 1909.

On motion of D. H. Mitchell, seconded by A. Bayton,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Duck Lake and surrounding district believing in the immense advantage which will be derived by this and other districts throughout Western Canada, from the holding of a Canadian International Exposition in 1912 to advertise the unlimited resources of Canada, hereby express their hearty endorsement of the project, and urge upon the Dominion Government to grant the necessary assistance towards financing the undertaking.

That a copy be forwarded to Mr. W. W. Ruttan, our representative in the House of Commons, the Honorable Senator Davis, and Honorable A. Turgeon, M.P.P., asking them to co-operate with the other members of Parliament and delegates now asking the Government for such aid.

And that His Worship the Mayor and the president of the Board of Trade at once take steps to form a Duck Lake committee of the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912, to look after the organization work in this district.

D. BANATYNE,

President Board of Trade,

Chairman Citizen's Meeting.

Indian Head Resolution

Indian Head, Sask., April 30th, 1909.

Moved by G. S. Thompson, ex-Mayor; seconded by David Railton, Reeve,—

That the citizens of Indian Head assembled to consider the advisability of holding a Canadian International Exposition at Winnipeg in 1912 in commemoration of the landing of Lord Selkirk's settlers on the banks of the Red River, one hundred years ago, enthusiastically endorse the proposal and respectfully call upon the Parliament of Canada to make the occasion a national event which will attract the attention of the world.

And that a copy of this resolution be forthwith transmitted to our representative at Ottawa, R. S. Lake, Esq., with the request that he join with the delegates now at Ottawa bringing the matter to the attention of the Government, with a view to granting the necessary financial aid.

THOS. G. DONNELLY,

Mayor.

Edmonton Resolution

Edmonton, Alta., May 6th, 1909.

Moved by J. P. Dowsett, seconded by P. E. Lessard,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Edmonton enthusiastically believe, after investigating the idea, in holding, in Winnipeg in 1912, a great Canadian International Exposition and Centennial Celebration of the arrival of the first settlers in Western Canada on the banks of the Red River in 1812 under the leadership of Lord Selkirk.

That such an exposition and historical celebration will be one of the best agencies to attract settlers and men of capital from all parts of the world to investigate the resources of Canada and take advantage of its unparalleled opportunities.

Therefore, we hereby authorize His Worship the Mayor to forward this resolution of our citizens to our representatives in the House of Commons, the Senate and the local Legislature, requesting them to give their support and influence in securing from the Government of Canada such necessary financial assistance as may be required to finance this proposed Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial.

(Signed) ROBERT LEE,

Mayor and Chairman Citizens' Committee.

Lacombe Resolution

Lacombe, Alta., May 5th, 1909.

Moved by A. M. Campbell, president Board of Trade;
seconded by W. S. Mooney,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Lacombe unanimously endorse and support the idea of holding in Winnipeg in 1912 a Canadian International Exposition and celebration of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's first settlers on the banks of the Red River, in 1812.

That we believe it will be to the benefit of our district and to the whole of Canada, as it will give us an opportunity to lay before prospective settlers and men of capital the unlimited possibilities of Canada.

We hereby instruct His Worship the Mayor to arrange for a copy of this resolution to be sent to our representatives in the Dominion Parliament, the Senate, and the local Legislature requesting that they give their support and influence towards securing the necessary assistance from the Dominion Government to finance the enterprise.

(Signed) E. M. SHARPE,

Mayor and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Lloydminster Resolution

Lloydminster, Sask., May 7th, 1909.

Moved by R. W. Miller, president Board of Trade; seconded by H. C. Lisle, M.P.P.,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Lloydminster and surrounding district unanimously endorse the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition at Winnipeg in 1912 to celebrate the centenary of the arrival of the first settlers on the Red River under Lord Selkirk.

That, in our opinion, such an exposition will give people from all parts of the world an unequalled opportunity to investigate and realize Canada's great resources and possibilities.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our representatives in the House of Commons, Messrs. A. Champagne and H. White, and also to the Hon. Senator Talbot, together with our members in the local Legislature, Messrs. Lisle and Bramley Moore, with the request that they use their best endeavors to secure the financial aid necessary to ensure the success of the enterprise.

J. T. HILL, M.D.,

Mayor and Chairman of Public Meeting.

Macleod Resolution

Macleod, Alta., May 3rd, 1909.

On motion of W. G. Lynch, seconded by A. P. Van Lomeran,—

Be it Resolved as follows:—

That the citizens of Macleod unanimously and enthusiastically endorse the idea of holding a Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial in Winnipeg in 1912.

That we believe it will be of inestimable value in bringing before the world the enormous possibilities and opportunities of our district, and the whole of Canada.

That it is our opinion that an exposition combined with a historical celebration of the arrival of the first settlers in the Great West will be one of the best mediums in forcibly presenting the foregoing to the settlers and capitalists we desire to reach.

That we hereby instruct His Worship the Mayor of Macleod to forward a copy of this resolution to our representatives the Dominion Parliament and Senate at Ottawa, and also the member of the local Legislature, requesting that they give their best assistance and influence in securing the endorsement of the Dominion Government to grant the necessary appropriation of funds to finance this enterprise.

A. F. GRADY,

Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Medicine Hat Resolution

Medicine Hat, Alta., May 3rd, 1909.

Moved by A. Patterson, seconded by F. G. Foster,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Medicine Hat in public meeting assembled unanimously endorse proposition of holding Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial at Winnipeg in 1912.

That we instruct His Worship, Mayor Milne, to arrange for a telegram and letter to be sent immediately to our representative in Parliament, C. A. McGrath, M.P., and to Senator De Veber, urging them to use their best endeavors in securing the endorsation of the Dominion Government and the appropriation by them of funds necessary to finance the exposition successfully.

Mayor and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Moose Jaw

Moose Jaw, Sask., May 1st, 1909.

On motion of Thos. Miller,—

Be it resolved that the citizens of Moose Jaw and district most heartily endorse the proposed Canadian International Exposition to be held in the City of Winnipeg, in 1912, in view of the fact that this enterprise will without question prove of considerable value to the Dominion of Canada as a whole. We are of the opinion that the Parliament of Canada should be approached in the hope that it will deal as liberally as it can do in providing funds sufficient to secure the success worthy of a Canadian world enterprise.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to W. E. Knowles, M.P., at Ottawa; Hon. J. H. Ross, Senator, Ottawa, with a request to use their best endeavors to secure the desired grant and assistance.

(Signed) J. E. HOPKINS,

Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Moosomin Resolution

Moosomin, Sask., 1909.

On motion of J. F. Lewin, seconded by Jas. Whiting,—

It was resolved as follows:—

1. That the citizens of Moosomin who are assembled at this meeting desire to place upon record their enthusiastic endorsement of the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition at the City of Winnipeg in 1912 to mark the anniversary of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's first settlers on the banks of the Red River in 1812, and we hereby endorse and approve of the general principles of the scheme as outlined to this meeting by the delegates from Winnipeg who have addressed us on the subject.

2. That the holding of such an exposition will present an opportunity never before offered to people from all countries and climates for visiting, seeing, and investigating, at first hand, the rich and varied resources of "Canada's Great West" in the success of whose future the whole of Canada is bound up. This undeniable fact gives a pronounced national character to this proposed exposition, and stamps it as an enterprise in which every Canadian is equally interested, no matter in what part of Canada he lives.

Therefore, the opinion of this meeting is that the Parliament of Canada should provide the greater part of the ways and means necessary to finance the undertaking. And with that object in view the Dominion Government should be approached with a respectful request to appropriate and set aside a sufficient area of unoccupied Dominion lands, say 250,000 acres, the same to be sold and the proceeds funded for the purposes of the proposed exposition; or that the Dominion Government should grant the money necessary to finance the proposition.

3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to R. S. Lake, M.P., and Senator Perley, at Ottawa, by wire and letter, with a request that they will join the other western members of Parliament in every way assisting the delegates, who are now at Ottawa laying the matter of the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912, before the members of the Government.

(Signed) JOHN McGUIRL,
Acting Mayor.

Red Deer Resolution

Red Deer, Alta., May 5th, 1909.

Moved by R. C. Brampton, seconded by H. H. Gaetz,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Red Deer unanimously and enthusiastically endorse the holding of a great Canadian International Exposition and celebration of Selkirk Centennial in Winnipeg in 1912.

That we believe it will do more to bring before the world the unlimited possibilities and opportunities of our district and the whole of Canada.

That, in our opinion, an exhibition, combined with the historical celebration of the arrival of the first settlers in Western Canada, will be one of the best methods in presenting to men of capital and homeseekers our opportunities.

That we hereby instruct His Worship the Mayor to arrange for a copy of this resolution to be sent to our representatives in the Dominion Parliament and Senate at Ottawa, and also the local Legislature, requesting that they give their support and influence in securing the necessary assistance from the Dominion Government to finance the undertaking.

W. J. BOTTINEL,
Mayor and Chairman Citizens' Meeting.

Portage la Prairie Resolution

Portage la Prairie, Man., 1909.

On motion of J. J. Garland, seconded by W. H. Thompson,—

It was resolved as follows:—

1. That the citizens of Portage la Prairie who are assembled at this meeting desire to place upon record their enthusiastic endorsement of the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition at the City of Winnipeg in 1912, to mark the anniversary of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's first settlers on the banks of the Red River in 1812, and we hereby endorse and approve of the general principles of the scheme as outlined to this meeting by the delegates from Winnipeg who have addressed us upon the subject.

2. That the holding of such an exposition will present an opportunity never before offered to the people of all countries and climes of visiting, seeing and investigating at first hand the rich and varied resources of "Canada's Great West," in the success of whose future the whole of Canada is bound up. This undeniable fact gives a pronounced national character to this proposed exposition and stamps it as an enterprise in which every Canadian is equally interested, no matter in what part of Canada he lives.

Therefore, the opinion of this meeting is that the Parliament of Canada should provide the greater part of the ways and means necessary to finance the undertaking. And with this object in view the Dominion Government should be approached with a respectful request to appropriate and grant such measures of assistance as may be thought necessary to finance the proposition.

3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. Clifford Sifton, at Ottawa, by wire and letter, with a request that he will join the other members of Parliament in every way assisting the delegates, who are now in Ottawa, laying the matter of the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912, before the members of Government.

S. W. WOODS,
Mayor.

Prince Albert Resolution

Prince Albert, Sask., 1909.

Moved by R. H. Hall, president Board of Trade; seconded by ex-Judge McGuire,—

Resolved:—That this meeting of citizens of Prince Albert having heard with much interest the speeches made by the representatives of the Selkirk Centennial committee as to the holding of an exposition in the City of Winnipeg in 1912, commemorating the arrival of the pioneer settlers on the banks of the Red River, we desire to heartily endorse the project which we trust will be brought to a successful consummation, demonstrating to the world that the wilderness which existed in 1812, is now the hope of the Empire and the granary of the world.

That the project is one highly calculated to advertise our immense resources and capacities, and for that reason is deserving of substantial assistance from the Dominion and Provincial Governments, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, commensurate with its national importance.

That a copy of this resolution be sent to our members at Ottawa, Mr. Rutan, and Senator Davis; and to Messrs. Bradshaw and Donaldson, members of the Legislative Assembly of Saskatchewan.

(Signed) ANDREW McDONALD,
Deputy Mayor.

North Battleford Resolution

North Battleford, Sask., May 7th, 1909.

On motion of J. W. Norton, president Board of Trade; seconded by Dr. T. A. Morrison,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of North Battleford and district enthusiastically endorse the proposed Canadian International Exposition to be held in Winnipeg in 1912, and, that in view of the fact that this exposition without doubt would be of inestimable value to the Dominion of Canada as a whole, we are of the opinion that the Dominion Government should provide sufficient funds to carry out the enterprise successfully.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our representative in the House of Commons, Mr. A. Champagne, and also to Hon. Senator Davis, together with our member in the local Legislature, Mr. D. Finlayson, with the request that they use their best endeavors to secure from the Dominion Government the financial assistance necessary to ensure the success of the exposition.

J. A. GREGORY,

Mayor and Chairman of Public Meeting.

Qu'Appelle Resolution

Qu'Appelle, Sask., April 30th, 1909.

Moved by A. D. Dickson, seconded by W. G. Vicars,—

It was resolved as follows:—

1. Whereas it has been demonstrated that a World's Fair is one of the strongest known influences for the cultivation of good will among nations for the dissemination of industrial and commercial knowledge and the extension of international trade,

2. And, whereas the citizens of Qu'Appelle have learned with pleasure that it is proposed to mark the centennial of the first settlement in Western Canada of an agricultural class under Lord Selkirk by a National Exposition to be held in Winnipeg in 1912,

3. Resolved that the citizens here assembled hereby pledge themselves to the hearty support of the exposition, and request the Dominion Government to grant a liberal measure of financial support to the enterprise,

And that a copy of this resolution be immediately forwarded to R. S. Lake, M.P., and Senator Perley, urging them to co-operate with members of Parliament and delegates, laying the matter of the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912, before the Dominion Government.

J. P. BEAUCHAMP,

Mayor.

Taber Resolution

Taber, Alta., May 7th, 1909.

On motion of W. A. Aubin, seconded by H. Annable,—

It was Resolved as Follows:—

That the citizens of Taber, in public meeting assembled, unanimously endorse the proposition of holding the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial at Winnipeg in 1912.

That we instruct His Worship the Mayor to arrange for a telegram and letter to be sent immediately to our representative in Parliament, C. A. Magrath, Esq., and to Senator De Veber

urging them to use their best endeavors in securing the endorsement of the Dominion Government and the appropriation by them of funds necessary to finance the exposition successfully.

W. W. DOUGLAS,

Mayor of Taber and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Rosthern Resolution

Rosthern, Sask., May 8th, 1909.

Moved by W. B. Boshford, president Board of Trade;
seconded by J. M. Hackney,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Rosthern and surrounding district most heartily endorse the proposal to hold a Canadian International Exposition at Winnipeg in 1912 to celebrate the centenary of the arrival of the first settlers on the Red River under Lord Selkirk.

That, in our opinion, such an exposition will give people from all parts of the world an unequalled opportunity to investigate and take advantage of Canada's great resources and possibilities.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our representative in the House of Commons, Mr. Geo. McCraney, and also to the Hon. Senator Davis, together with our member in the local House, Mr. Gerard Ens, with the request that they use their best endeavors to secure the financial aid necessary to ensure the success of the enterprise from the Dominion Government.

(Signed) H. W. WEATHERBY,

Mayor and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Saskatoon Resolution

Saskatoon, Sask., May 7th, 1909.

Moved by M. Isbester, seconded by J. Atcheson,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Saskatoon, Province of Saskatchewan, warmly approve of the proposed World's Exposition at Winnipeg, in 1912, and, that being entirely convinced of the magnificent impetus which such an exposition must, of necessity, lend to the agricultural, industrial and commercial development of this Great West, and of the Dominion as a whole, they will gladly accord the project their most sincere and hearty co-operation.

That a copy of this resolution shall be forwarded to Mr. Geo. E. McCraney, M.P., and also to the Provincial Government, urging for every possible assistance towards securing from the Dominion Government the necessary financial aid.

WM. HOPKINS,

Mayor.

Strathcona Resolution

Strathcona, Alta., May 5th, 1909.

Moved by J. M. Douglas, president Board of Trade; seconded by J. H. McDonald,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Strathcona after carefully considering the proposition of holding in Winnipeg, in 1912, a Canadian International Exposition and Centennial celebration of the arrival in 1812 of Lord Selkirk and his

settlers on the banks of the Red River, do hereby express their belief that such an exhibition and historical event will attract from all parts of the world settlers and men of capital to investigate the resources and advantages of Canada.

That it is our opinion that this will afford an unparalleled opportunity of demonstrating our possibilities.

Therefore, we hereby authorize His Worship the Mayor to forward a copy of this expression of opinion of our citizens to our representatives in the House of Commons, the Senate, and the local Legislature requesting that they give their support and influence in having an appropriation made by the Parliament of Canada necessary to finance this Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial.

(Signed) J. J. DUGGAN,

Mayor and Chairman of Citizens' Meeting.

Regina Resolution

Regina, Sask., April 30th, 1909.

On motion of J. F. Bole, seconded by H. W. Laird,—

It was resolved as follows:—

1. That the citizens of Regina, the capital city of the Province of Saskatchewan, have heard and read with great interest of the efforts that are being put forth by our friends and neighbors in the Province of Manitoba towards enthusing the people of the Western Provinces with the idea that a Canadian International Exposition should be held in Winnipeg in 1912 to commemorate the arrival at the Red River of the pioneer party of Lord Selkirk's colonists in 1812; and, after hearing what has been said by the delegates from Manitoba

who have addressed this meeting and appreciating the broad Canadian lines upon which the project is laid, we hereby beg to express our sincere and hearty approval of this great proposition, and we promise to co-operate in every way towards its success.

2. We are convinced that in no better way can the resources of Canada's Great West, from the lakes to the Pacific be shown to the world than by the holding of a National Fair, and we are of the opinion that the Government of Canada should grant substantial aid towards financing the undertaking.

3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded forthwith to W. M. Martin, Esq., M.P., requesting him to join with other Western members in backing up the application that is now being made by the delegates in Ottawa to the Dominion Government for financial aid.

R. H. WILLIAMS,

Mayor.

Virten Resolution

Virten, Man., 1909.

On motion of Ald. T. B. Mitchell, seconded by H. C. Simpson, M.P.P.,—

It was resolved as follows:—

That the citizens of Virten, who are assembled at this meeting, desire to place upon record their enthusiastic endorsement of the proposal to hold a Canadian Internatoinal Exposition at the City of Winnipeg in 1912, to mark the anniversary of the arrival of Lord Selkirk's first settlers on the banks of the Red River in 1812, and we hereby endorse and approve of the general principles of the scheme, as outlined to this meeting by the delegates from Winnipeg, who have addressed us upon this subject.

2. That the holding of such an exposition will present an opportunity never before offered to people from all countries and climes of visiting, seeing and investigating at first hand the rich and varied resources of "Canada's Great West" in the success of whose future the whole of Canada is bound up. This undeniable fact gives pronounced national character to this proposed exposition and stamps it as an enterprise in which every Canadian is equally interested no matter in what part of Canada he lives.

Therefore, the opinion of this meeting is that the Parliament of Canada should provide the greater part of the ways and means necessary to finance the undertaking. And, with this object in view, the Dominion Government should be approached with a respectful request to appropriate and grant such measures of assistance as may be thought necessary for financing the proposition.

3. That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to Hon. Clifford Sifton, at Ottawa, by wire and letter, with a request that he will join other members of Parliament in every way assisting the delegates, who are now in Ottawa, laying the matter of the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, 1912, before the members of the Government.

GEO. CLINGAN,

Mayor.

Vermillion Resolution

Vermillion, Sask., May 7th, 1909.

Moved by H. N. Stephens, seconded by W. C. Craig,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Vermillion and district most heartily endorse the proposed Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial to be held in the City of Winnipeg in 1912, and, in view of the fact that this enterprise

will, without question, prove of considerable value to the Dominion of Canada as a whole, we are of the opinion that the Dominion of Canada should be approached in the hope that it will deal as liberally as it can do in providing funds sufficient to secure the success worthy of a Canadian world enterprise.

That a copy of this resolution be forwarded to our representative in the House of Commons, Mr. H. White, and also to the Hon. Senator Talbot, together with our member in the local Legislature, Mr. Arch. Campbell, with the request that they use their best endeavors to secure the desired grant and assistance.

DR. G. H. W. RYAN.

Wetaskiwin Resolution

Wetaskiwin, Alta., May 5th, 1909.

Moved by Mr. Alf. A. Ellis, President Board of Trade;
seconded by Mr. J. F. Fowler,—

Be it Resolved:—That the citizens of Wetaskiwin hereby endorse and support the scheme of holding in Winnipeg, in 1912, a Canadian International Exposition, and also a Centennial Celebration of the arrival of Lord Selkirk and his settlers on the banks of the Red River in 1812.

That it is our opinion that this will afford one of the best mediums of laying before the world the possibilities and opportunities of Canada, and will do much towards attracting settlers and men of capital to develop our resources.

We hereby authorize His Worship the Mayor to forward a copy of this resolution to our representative in the Dominion

Parliament, the Senate, and the local Legislature, with the request that they give their support and influence in securing an appropriation from the Dominion Government necessary to finance the undertaking.

(Signed) W. J. McNAMARA.

Wolseley Resolution

Wolseley, Man., April 30th, 1909.

Moved by A. D. Ferguson, president Board of Trade,
seconded by——

It was Resolved as Follows:—

1. That the citizens of Wolseley, believing in the immense advantages which will be derived by this and other towns and districts throughout Western Canada from the holding of a Canadian International Exposition in 1912 to advertise the unlimited resources of Canada, hereby express their hearty endorsement of the project and urge upon the Dominion Government to grant the necessary assistance towards financing the undertaking.

2. That a copy of this resolution be immediately forwarded to R. S. Lake, M.P., the representative at Ottawa of this constituency, urging him to co-operate with the other members of Parliament and delegates now asking the Government for such aid.

(Signed) J. F. MIDDLEMISS,

Chairman.

New Westminster, B.C., Resolution

Whereas representatives of the Citizens of Winnipeg and the Prairie Provinces have placed before us certain matters relating to the proposed Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial, to be held in Winnipeg, 1912.

We, citizens of New Westminster, realizing the great benefit to be derived by the "Great West of Canada" in the exploitation of the resources of this portion of the Dominion at such Exposition, and appreciating the opportunity afforded to us of showing the Prairie Provinces evidence of the industrial and other pursuits of this district; and the desirability of a closer commercial union, as also the mutual advantages to be derived therefrom, particularly now that the Fraser River is navigable for all ocean going vessels, thus affording cheap transportation for grain, lumber and other products of British Columbia and Western Canada equally, to the great markets of the world.

Hereby resolve, to give this magnificent proposition our very cordial support; and pledge ourselves to use our best efforts to advance the project by inducing horticultural, agricultural and industrial exhibitors to show a practical interest in the Canadian International Exposition and Selkirk Centennial.

Be it further Resolved, that we authorize His Worship the Mayor to forward a copy of this resolution to our representatives in the House of Commons, the Senate, and the local Legislature, with a request that they give their support and influence in having an appropriation made by the Parliament of Canada, necessary to finance the enterprise.

Moved by John A. Lee, President of Board of Trade.

Seconded by Rev. J. S. Henderson.

Carried by acclamation.

C. H. STUART WADE, Secretary.

